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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 12:30 p.m.

## House of Representatives

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. DINGELL).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
January 11, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DEBBIE DINGELL to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Merciful God, we enter this Chamber with a sense both of uncertainty and of indignation. The events of last week, the destruction, the damage, and the deaths of our fellow Americans are deeply disturbing. The seeds of discontent were sown across our country, and we have reaped the whirlwind.

Almighty God, speak into this storm. Allow Your holy spirit to descend upon the chaos and minister to our hearts. Still our fears, that we would remain firm in our resolve. Still our anger, that we would yield ourselves to Your gracious design for this Nation. Lord, vindicate Your intent for us to serve as representatives not just of our districts, but of Your will. Your love, Lord, endures forever. We pray, do not abandon the work of Your hands.

And as the spirit moves among us, inspire us again with Your purpose. Stir in us anew the desire to serve You well and faithfully as we seek to serve this divided country.

Call us to hear the words of Your mouth and praise You with our lives this day and in the days to come.

For we pray these things in the strength of Your holy name.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from California (Ms. BROWNLEY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. BROWNLEY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENT OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 7, 2021.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I hereby submit my resignation as Sergeant at Arms of the U.S. House of Representatives. It has been an honor to serve.

Very respectfully,  
PAUL D. IRVING,  
Sergeant at Arms.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of section 208(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, the Chair appoints Timothy Paul Blodgett of the State of New York to act as and to exercise the duties of Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, effective today.

Without objection, the Chair will now administer the oath of office.

There was no objection.

Mr. Blodgett appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Congratulations.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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